

**AQUATONE BRIEFING**

On 24 February 1956 the DCI and DDCI briefed Senators Russell (Chairman) and Saltonstall of the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on CIA. Also present were Colonel White and Norman Paul, CIA, and Mr. William Darden of the Committee staff. During this extensive general briefing the Director described AQUATONE in considerable detail to the Senators, who were keenly interested in it and had evidently not heard of it before. The Director gave figures as to the size of this item in his budget for the last two years and the projection for FY/1957. The Director sought advice as to whether he should notify other members of Congress about the project, and Senator Russell stated that he thought Messrs. Cannon, Taber and Mahon, all of whom are completely secure, should be informed.

18 November 1957. Learned from the DCI today that he did talk to Taber and Cannon regarding AQUATONE.

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